

CONGRESS TO TAKE UP H. C. L. TODAY

Immediate Consideration of the President's Recommendations to be Undertaken—Overshadows All Else.

Washington, Aug. 10.—Congress tomorrow begins actual consideration of high cost of living problems. Plans have been made by leaders for immediate consideration of the legislative recommendations made by President Wilson and the cost of living question promises this week to overshadow even the peace treaty.

Work for several days will be in the hands of committees. The House agriculture committee will take up a bill for government regulations of cold storage facilities and Chairman Cummins, of Senate interstate commerce committee, is expected to announce a special sub-committee to consider the president's proposals for regulation of foodstuffs entering interstate commerce, including federal licensing of interstate corporations.

Tuesday the Senate agriculture committee meets to consider the wheat price question, extension of the food control law and similar questions. Chairman Gronna and national grange leaders plan a statement early this week giving the farmers' side of problems now under discussion. All senators from agricultural states have been invited to the meeting Tuesday.

With jurisdiction over the railroad brotherhoods' demand for increased wages to meet living costs from congress to the president and director general of railroads the House interstate commerce committee tomorrow will resume hearings on organized labor's railroad bill. Glenn E. Plumb, author of the measure, is expected to conclude his statement tomorrow and will be followed by A. B. Garretson, chief of the conductors' brotherhood.

Spirited debate on the high cost of living question is expected in the Senate tomorrow. Senator Reed, Missouri, and McKellar, Tennessee, Democrats, have announced addresses on the subject and others are in preparation.

The peace treaty and League of Nations, however, are not to go into total eclipse in the Senate because of interest in the cost of living. Republican Leader Lodge Tuesday will deliver an extensive analysis of international problems. Secretary Lansing tomorrow will resume his testimony on the peace negotiations and related subjects before the foreign relations committee. He probably will read a prepared statement on his negotiation of the Lansing-Ishii agreement.



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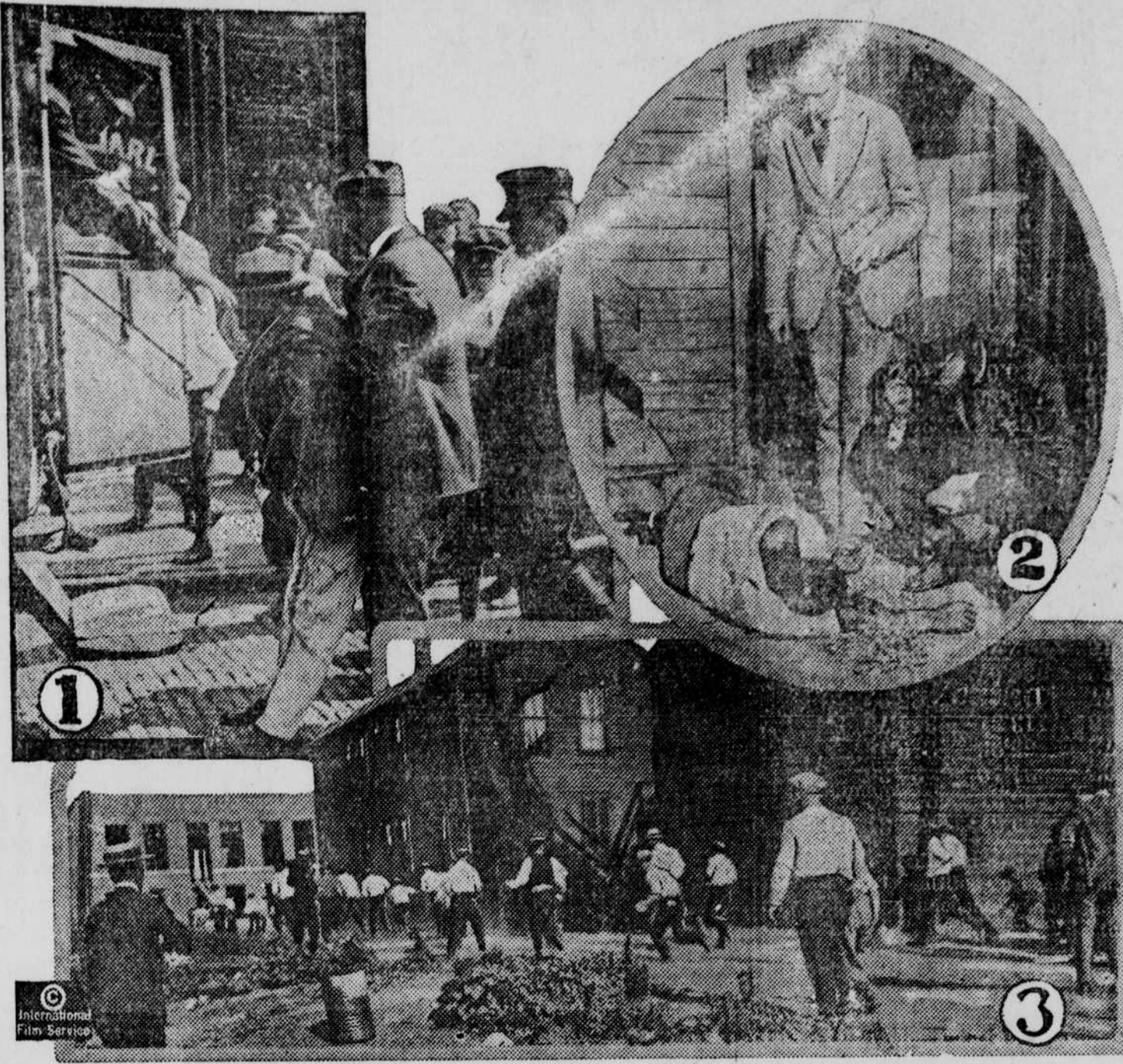
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"CLEAR THE NAME OF HENRY FORD"

"Do Not Destroy Value to the World By Branding Him An Anarchist" — Jury Hears a Strong Plea.

Mt. Clemens, Mich., Aug. 8.—The jury in the Ford-Tribune libel suit heard Henry Ford discussed from the standpoint of neighbor, farmer, mechanic and humanitarian and then heard the legal aspects of the Tribune defense on the closing day of the thirteen week of the trial.

Attorney John Weeks of Ford counsel drew a detailed picture of Henry Ford's early years. His long period of poverty, labor and preparation, his rise to wealth, his sudden doubling of the wages of his men, his constant philanthropies, his dynamic power to energize whole cities economically.

"He did not gain his wealth by exploiting the public or his workmen," said the attorney. "His ideal has been to help make people prosperous and happy and he is too valuable to his community where he was born and reared, too valuable to his fellowmen, for you to bring a damning verdict against him.

"Henry Ford with all his wealth, with all his possibilities for doing good, with all the success that his own efforts have brought him will be poorer than the poorest man in this courtroom if you send him out of here stigmatized with the shameful brand an anarchist."

"If Henry Ford is an anarchist, I wish his brand of anarchy were epidemic. I wish others of our rich men would catch it. I wish distracted Russia could have some of it today. I wish Henry Ford's peculiar 'anarchy' and constructive genius could be put to work rehabilitating the central empires. The world has been waiting for such a spirit to adjust its affairs.

"Henry Ford is not an anarchist. He is a pacifist. Gentlemen of the jury, when the question of armament and militant attitude for the United States was before you for settlement how did you vote? This district sent back to congress by a large majority a congressman who stood flatfooted against the militaristic clamor in the United States in 1915 and 1916.

"Every man to his task is a good rule, yet Tribune counsel calls this mechanic and farmer to the stand and questions him on history, on literature and on anything except that which he knows best. If you should apply to these lawyers the same kind of a test that they applied to Henry Ford, if you were to put them on your farms they would starve to death. Oliver Cromwell could not even write his

name and even the fathers of our own liberties made their marks with the hilts of their swords.

"If you find Henry Ford an anarchist you will absolutely destroy his usefulness as a citizen and stamp him as unfit for the society of his fellow men.

"I ask you, gentlemen, never to consent that Henry Ford's kind of human endeavor be halted by an adverse judgment, vindicate his good name, rebuke the spirit that seeks to destroy him."

Horace K. Tenney, one of the most brilliant members of Tribune counsel, followed Mr. Weeks, with an admirable address on the legal points of the Tribune's case.

"The real issue in this controversy," said Mr. Tenney, "is the right of free speech. It is the right which Mr. Ford claims, it is the right on which we rely, but the right of expression involves the right of comment. When a man expresses his views publicly upon a public question, and in your opinion his views are those of an anarchist, it is your right to express your own opinion of his statements. The other side seems to have overlooked the difference between attacking a man's private character and attacking his opinions.

"Mr. Ford exercised towards his opponents on the question of national preparedness the same right of fair comment which the Tribune exercised

The Weather

Tuesday, partly cloudy.

Saturday—	
Maximum	94
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Sunday—	
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toward him. The term 'anarchist' was used to sum up all the Tribune's criticism of and opposition to Henry Ford's opinions. It must be understood as it was intended by the writer who was seeking to convey the criticism. Was the Chicago Tribune, which knew Henry Ford as the creator of a great property charging, him with starting a propaganda that would deprive him of his wealth and destroy his achievements? No, the term was not used in that sense. The word 'anarchist' has other significances.

Judge of Probate E. Neil Reed of Mt. Clemens counsel for Henry Ford and William T. Hosner of Tribune counsel, also addressed the jury.

It is expected that the case will go to the jury about the middle of its fourteenth week.

Her Last Social Function.

My small son on coming home from school one noon said to me "Mother, I'm going over to Bundy's home this afternoon." On my asking what he was going for he replied: "Why, don't you know his grandma is having her Tribune."

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